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Title: PROCESS FOR  
TREATING SMECTITE  
CLAYS TO FACILITATE  
EXFOLIATION

<p>CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8</p> <p>DATE OF DEPOSIT: <i>July 6, 2001</i></p> <p>I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231</p> <p><i>Elda T. Gonzalez</i> Elda T. Gonzalez</p>
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Applicant submits herewith a substitute specification to replace the originally filed specification. A copy of the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers is also enclosed. Applicant submits that the enclosed substitute specification is in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.52.

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